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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(c))

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## Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits the items of information on the enclosed Form(s) 1449 for the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified application.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits but before the mailing date of a final Office Action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311. Please charge **Deposit Account 50-0996 (STFD.039PA) \$180.00** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for consideration of the items, with authorization to charge/credit said deposit account to enter these papers.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form(s) 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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